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In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in

the application:

1. (Original) Lever for a valve control of a piston engine, comprising a rocker

arm, rocker lever or finger lever, with a roller, which is arranged in a roller pocket

formed by a left side part and a right side part of the lever and which is rotatably

mounted on a support pin arranged in the lever, a width of the roller pocket is

smaller than a sum of total thicknesses of the left side part and the right side part

of the lever, wherein the left side part and the right side part are tapered

sufficiently via tapered sections in a region of a bore hole for holding the support

pin, and a sum of a width of the left side part supporting the support pin and a

width of the right side part supporting the support pin is smaller than the width of

the roller pocket.

2. (Original) Lever according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the tapered

sections in the side parts of the lever is generated by shaping processes.

3. (Original) Lever according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the tapered

sections in the side parts of the lever is generated by removing material.

4. (Original) Lever according to claim 1, wherein the tapered sections in the left

side part and in the right side part are each arranged on an outside or inside

thereof.

5. (Original) Lever according to claim 1, wherein the support pin has a locking

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part in a region of at least one of the outer tapered sections for at least one of

rotational or positional locking.

6. (Original) Lever according to claim 1, wherein one of the side parts has an

outer tapered section, while the tapered section on the other side part faces towards

the roller pocket.

7. (New) Lever according to claim 1, wherein of the each side parts has an outer

tapered section.

8. (New) Lever according to claim 1, wherein each of the side parts has a

tapered section that faces towards the roller pocket.

9. (New) Lever according to claim 1, wherein each of the side parts

has an outer tapered section and a tapered section that faces toward the roller

pocket.

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